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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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Group Art Unit: 1728

Application No.: 10/664,857

Examiner: M. WILLS

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Docket No.: 116675

For: ALERT METHOD RELATING TO REMAINING FUEL AMOUNT OF FUEL CELL
SYSTEM AND FUEL CELL SYSTEM USING THE SAME

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the February 17, 2011 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1, 3, 5-12 and 24-26 are pending in this application.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that claims 3, 6, 7 and 25 contain allowable subject matter and claims 8-12 are allowed.¹ For the reasons discussed below, Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

II. 35 U.S.C. §103 Rejections

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 5 and 24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0150655 (Ito); and rejects

¹ Page 2 of the Office Action erroneously indicates that claim 4 contains allowable subject matter, as indicated by the Examiner's remarks on page 6 of the Office Action, now alleging that claim 4 would have been obvious.